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### **New York Office**

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## NOTICE OF UNLICENSED OPERATION

Case Number: EB-FIELDNER-16-00022595 Document Number: W201732380003

The New York Office received information that an unlicensed broadcast radio station on 1700 kHz was allegedly operating in Brooklyn, New York. On October 26, 2016, agents from this office confirmed by direction finding techniques that radio signals on frequency 1700 kHz were emanating from your building located at 272 Kingston Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. The Commission's records show that no license was issued for operation of a broadcast station on 1700 kHz at this location in Brooklyn, New York.

Radio stations operating on many frequencies, including 1700 kHz, must be licensed by the FCC pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 301. The only exception to this licensing requirement is for certain transmitters using or operating at a power level or mode of operation that complies with the standards established in Part 15 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 15.1 et seq. The Commissions' rules permit operation on any frequency between 525 kHz and 1705 kHz with a transmitter whose input power of the final RF stage of the transmitter does not exceed 100 mW. See Section 15.209 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 15.209. If the transmitter does not comply with this requirement then the field strength of the signal on frequency 1700 kHz may not exceeded the  $14.1 \mu V/m$  at 30 meters. See Section 15.209 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 15.209. The station apparently did not comply with either of these requirements and thus is operating in violation of 47 U.S.C. § 301.

You are hereby warned that operation of radio transmitting equipment without a valid radio station authorization constitutes a violation of the Federal laws cited above and could subject the operator to severe penalties, including, but not limited to, substantial monetary fines, *in rem* arrest action against the offending radio equipment, and criminal sanctions including imprisonment. (*See* 47 U.S.C. §§ 401, 501, 503 and 510.)

UNLICENSED OPERATION OF THIS RADIO STATION MUST BE DISCONTINUED IMMEDIATELY.

You have ten (10) days from the date of this notice to respond with any evidence that you have authority to operate granted by the FCC. Your response should be sent to the address in the letterhead and reference the listed case and document number. Under the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3), we are informing you that the Commission's staff will use all relevant material information before it to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure your compliance with FCC Rules. This will include any information that you disclose in your reply.

You may contact this office if you have any questions.

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### Attachments:

Excerpts from the Communications Act of 1934, As Amended Enforcement Bureau, "Inspection Fact Sheet", March 2005